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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant (Form PTO/SB/08a), together with copies of the foreign patent references cited therein. Each item of information was cited in the foreign counterpart application not more that three (3) months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. The relevance of the cited documents is indicated in the European Search Report dated February 8, 2006, a copy of which is being submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner in the aboveidentified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

A first Official Action has not yet issued for this application. Therefore, it is believed that no fees are due under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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